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#### **Bar Admission**

Québec 2011 Ontario 2010

#### Law School

Dalhousie University University of Ottawa

#### Industries

Retail & Consumer Markets (RCM)
Private Equity & Investments

#### Practices

Mergers & Acquisitions

# With a strong focus on client success, Chrystelle brings a creative and innovative approach to getting deals done across industries and borders.

A partner in our Business Law Group, Chrystelle is also Industry Group Leader of our National Retail and Consumer Markets Group and co-head of the firm's national forestry group initiative. She focuses on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity, venture capital, and real estate transactions. Chrystelle regularly represents U.S., European and other international clients investing in Canada, as well as Canadian clients investing abroad.

She is a trusted advisor for private and public companies and organizations of multiple sizes across our Retail and Consumer Markets sectors, agrifood and food, forestry, energy and sustainable mobility.

Chrystelle is a regular speaker at conferences, where she notably presents on M&A and private equity subject matters. She is an active member in her community, acting as director for various not-for-profit organizations. She also has a deep interest in developing the next generation of lawyers as a mentor and a coach.

Chrystelle holds an LLL and a JD from the University of Ottawa and an LLM from Dalhousie University. Chrystelle is fluent in French, English and Spanish.

Chrystelle's recent experience includes representing:

- Retail Industry in Specialized Clothing: Represented an international foot and leg products company in its acquisition by a Canadian leader in the field of consumer sportswear listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange;
- Retail industry of Optical Products: Represented a leading retail supplier of optical products listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange in its acquisition of optical retail facilities;
- Seafood Industry: Represented one of the world's leading seafood groups and the world's largest supplier of cold water shrimp and Greenland halibut,

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in its investment in the activities of a Canadian seafood Producer;

- Home Health Care Industry: Represented a major manufacturer and distributor of home care and professional medical products in the sale of its DME brand portfolio of mobility and safety products in the bathroom;
- PF Résolu Canada Inc., a branch of Produits forestiers Résolu Inc., in connection with the sale of their pulp and paper plant no longer in operation, located in Fort Frances, Ontario, to 2670568 Ontario Limited, a subsidiary of Riversedge Developments Inc.;
- Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec as stakeholder in Cirque du Soleil's sale transaction and emergence from creditor protection;
- Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec in its acquisition of holdings of Cirque du Soleil from founder, Guy Laliberté;
- Rayonier Advanced Materials Inc. in the sale of its pulp mill in Matane,
   Quebec to Sappi Limited for US\$175 million;
- Rayonier Advanced Materials in its US\$214 million sale of lumber and newsprint facilities and related assets to GreenFirst Forest Products Inc.;
- Parkland Corporation in its agreement to acquire Pétroles Crevier Inc;
- Beiersdorf AG, a German multinational company that manufactures and retails personal-care products and pressure-sensitive adhesives, in its entering into of a definitive agreement to acquire the prestige beauty brand Chantecaille;
- Atlas For Men, a French outdoor clothing and accessories brand for adventurers, explorers and amateurs alike, in its entry into the Canadian market:
- Communauto Inc., a leading Canadian carsharing company, in the acquisition of Astus Inc.
- Cogeco Communications Inc. and its Canadian subsidiary Cogeco
   Connexion in its C\$405 million proposed acquisition of DERYtelecom;
- Shareholders of Optimum Talent Inc. in the sale of Optimum shares to Illinois-based Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.;

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- France-based VINCI Energies International & Systems, in its acquisition of Transelec Common Inc.;
- WSP Global Inc. in the closing of the transaction to combine respective geomatics business units between them and Altus Group Limited;
- WSP Global Inc. in the acquisition of Earth Consulting Group, which are based out of GA;
- Enphase Energy, Inc. in its acquisition of Sofdesk Inc.;
- Groupe Petra Ltée in the acquisition of 1000 De La Gauchetière.

#### **Awards & Rankings**

#### The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory

Leading Lawyer: Corporate Commercial Law; Private Equity

#### Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A

Leading Lawyer

#### **Lexpert Rising Star 2023**

Leading Lawyers Under 40

#### The Legal 500 - Canada

Next Generation Partner: Corporate and M&A

#### **Best Lawyers in Canada**

Leading Lawyer: Corporate Law

#### **Best Lawyers in Canada**

Leading Lawyer: Mergers and Acquisitions Law

#### **Best Lawyers in Canada**

Leading Lawyer: Real Estate Law

#### **Chambers Canada**

Leading Lawyer: Corporate/Commercial - Quebec

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### **Recent Experience**

 Lafarge Canada acquires Mathers Group's St-Eustache quarry and asphalt operations in Quebec

June 30, 2022

- 1000 De La Gauchetière is acquired by Groupe Petra and MACH July 12, 2021
- Parkland Corporation enters into agreement to acquire Pétroles Crevier

July 6, 2021

### **Recent Insights**

Lexology's Getting the Deal Through: Luxury & Fashion 2024 Guide Canada

April 29, 2024

 Key Takeaways from McCarthy Tétrault's 14th Annual National Retail and Consumer Markets Summit

March 18, 2024

■ Private Equity Outlook 2024 - Top Ten Takeaways

February 29, 2024

■ On Target: 2024 Private Equity Outlook

January 11, 2024

#### **Events**

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■ Private Equity Outlook Webinar 2024

February 14, 2024

■ 13th Annual National Retail and Consumer Markets Summit

February 23, 2023

■ 12th Annual National Retail and Consumer Markets Summit

February 23, 2022

■ Private Equity Outlook Webinar

February 3, 2022